

# *High Performance Computing: Accelerating clean energy technology deployment*



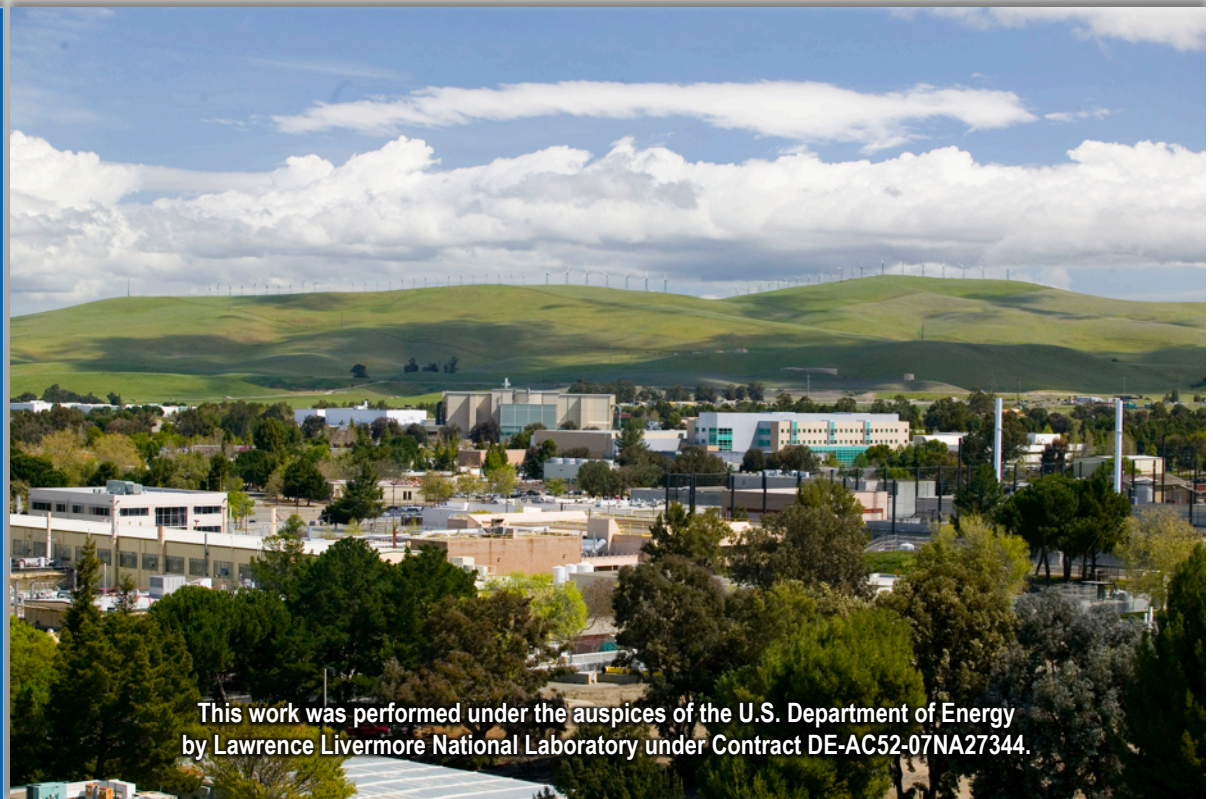
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# DOE leads the world in HPC application and use

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“...of all the sectors in the economy where innovation has a critical role to play, the energy sector stands out.”

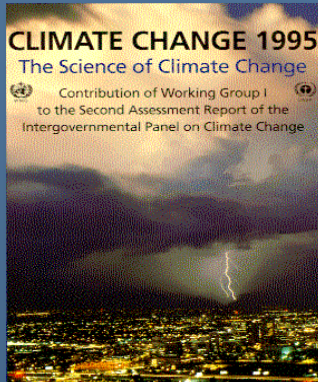
American Energy Innovation Council  
September 2011

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- ASC
- SciDAC
- New applied programs
  - Nuclear
  - Fossil

Opportunity to leverage to experience and investment  
to accelerate clean energy development and commercialization

World leader in  
climate change  
detection and  
attribution

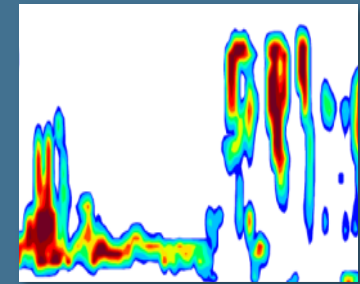
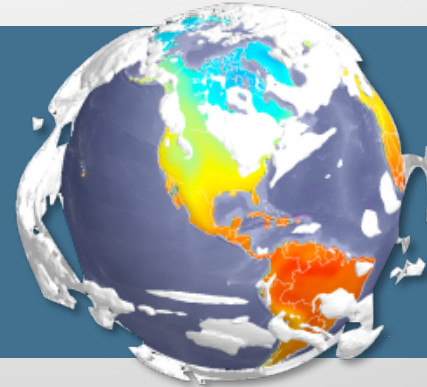
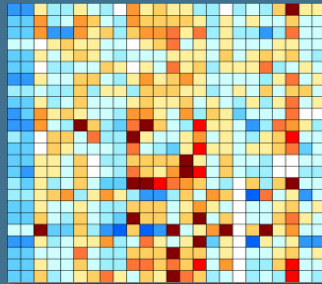


“The balance of  
evidence suggests  
a discernible human  
influence on global  
climate.”

- Ben Santer



## DOE/SC Program on Climate Model, Diagnosis and Intercomparison at LLNL has played a key role in the international climate community



- Goal: Quantify fidelity of model simulations and uncertainty in projections
- Research:
  - Understand fidelity of climate model simulations
  - Diagnose and fingerprint human signatures in climate change
- Publications: 186 peer review publications from DOE funding over the last seven years with 21 in Science, Nature and PNAS

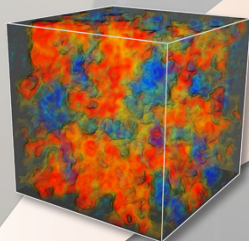
Made possible by HPC platforms, expertise, and ecosystem



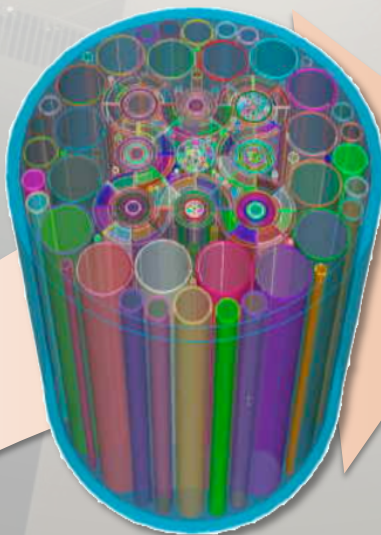
# A key element of our energy and climate strategy revolves around the application of HPC and simulation

Applied energy simulations

Basic science and algorithms



Platform and architectural development

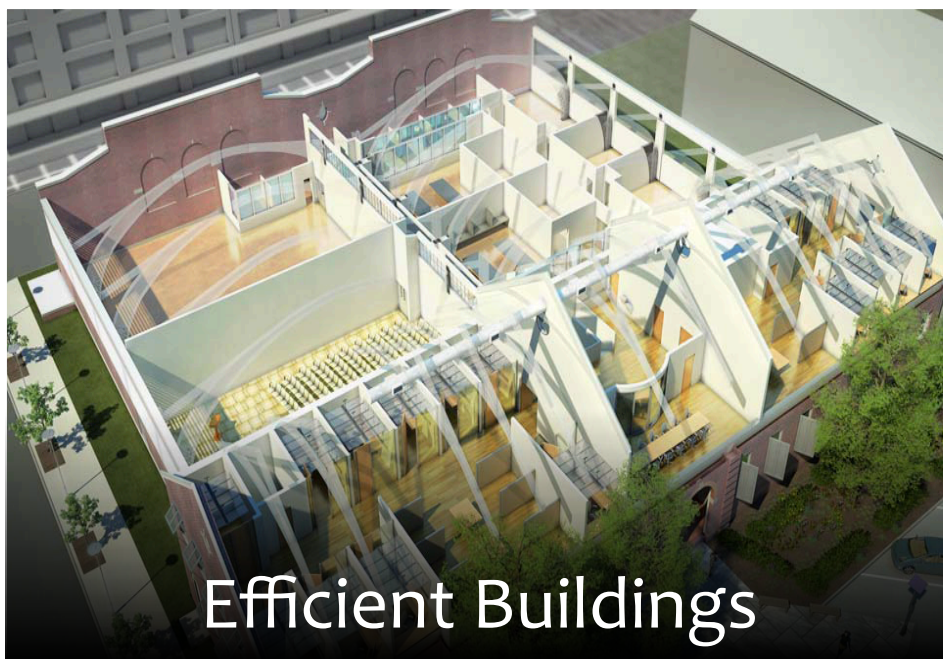


Path to exascale computing

- Building efficiency
- Carbon Capture and Storage
- Smart grid and integration
- Fusion design
- Uncertainty Quantification for Climate

We are creating new partnerships with America's private sector to accelerate the development and commercialization of advanced, clean energy technology





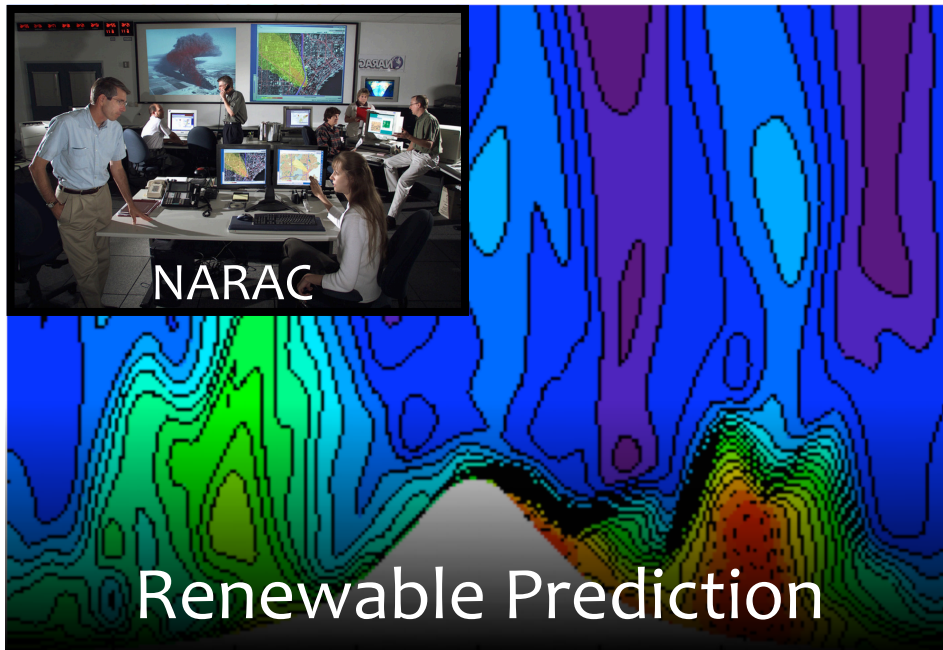
Efficient Buildings



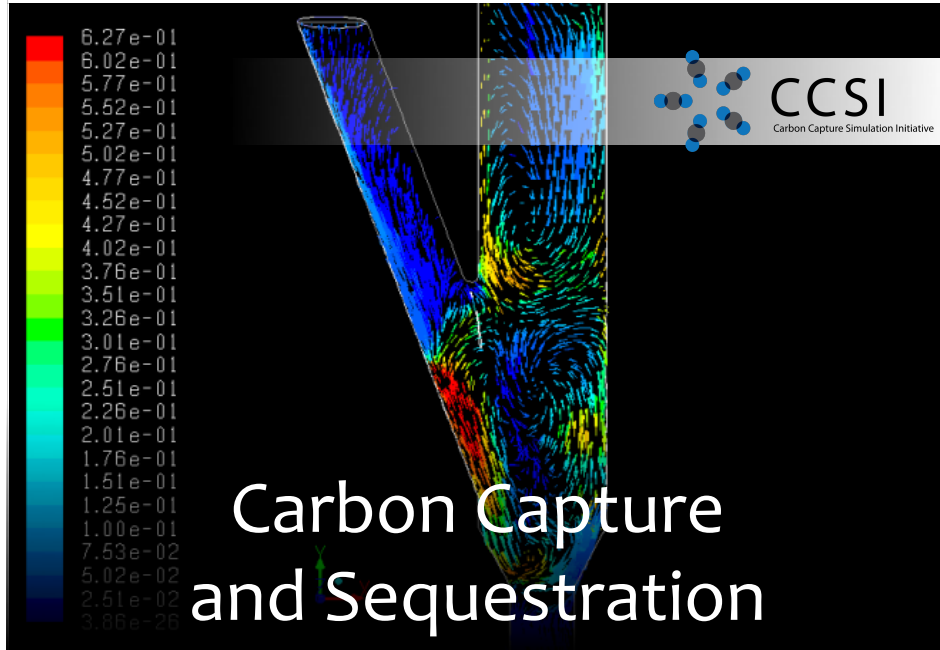
Efficient Vehicles



NARAC

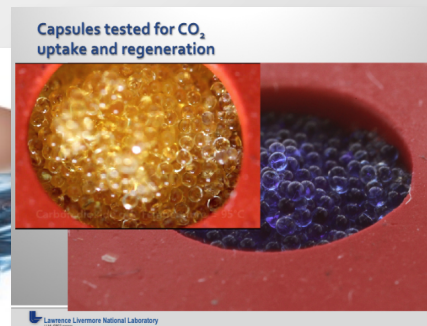
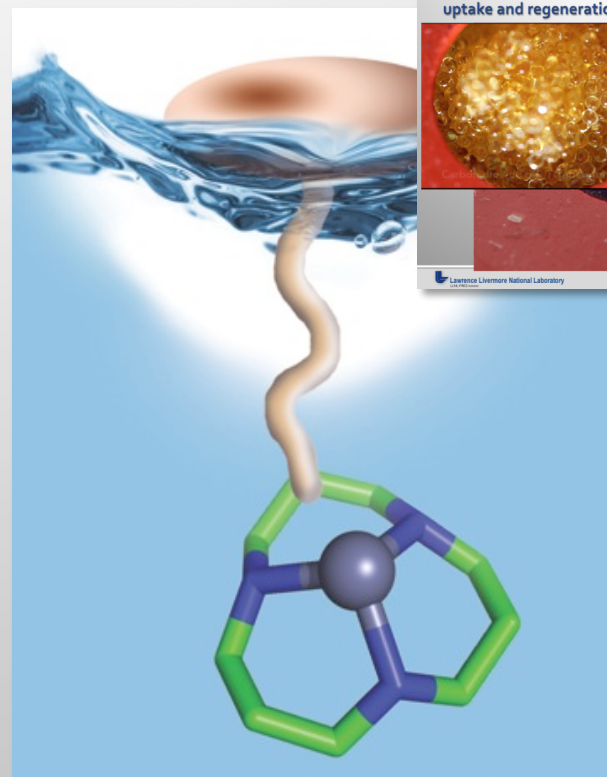
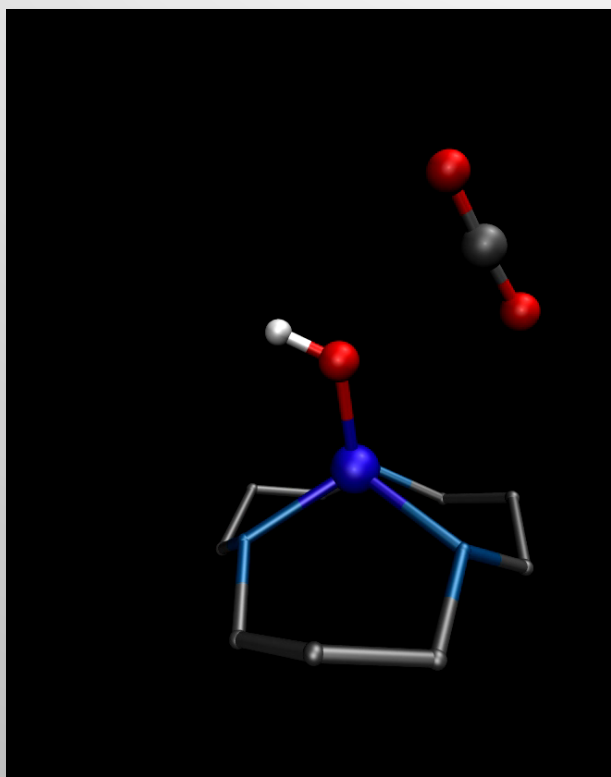


Renewable Prediction



Carbon Capture and Sequestration

# HPC has proven successful in molecular dynamics and design to make materials for clean energy



Potential  
Applications

- Carbon Capture
- Biofuels
- Storage
- Solar



# CA Energy Systems for 21st Century (CES-21) is a new \$150M, five-year partnership to speed smart grid solutions

## Investor-Owned Utilities (IOUs)

Experts in power generation, transmission, cyber security, and distribution

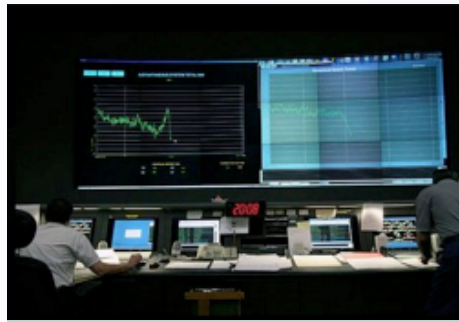


## Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Experts in solving complex problems with modeling and simulation, science-based decision support, and broad technology development and engineering



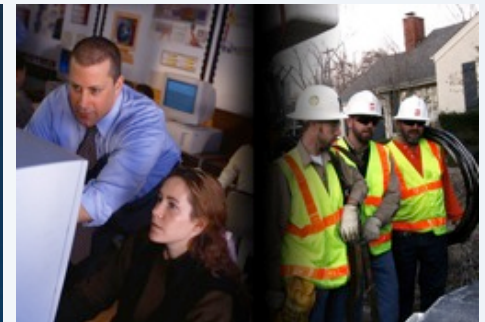
Planning



Operations



Security



Workforce

CES-21  
status

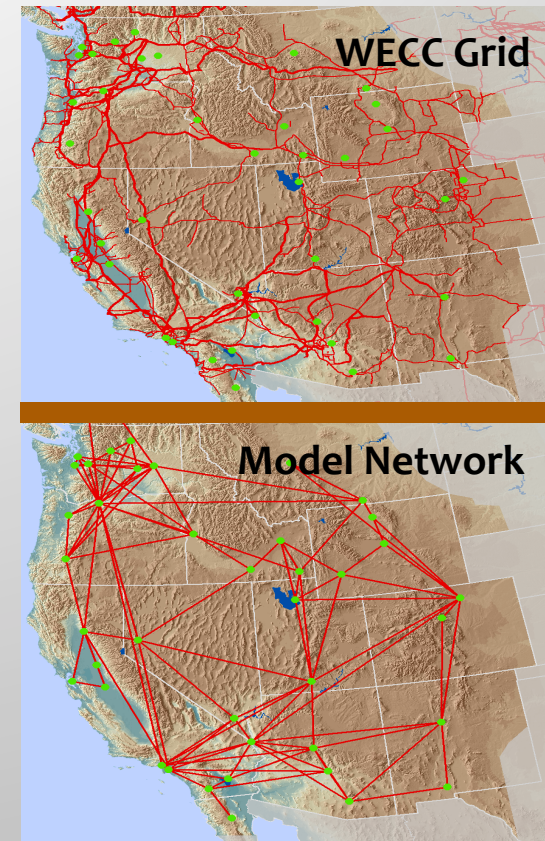
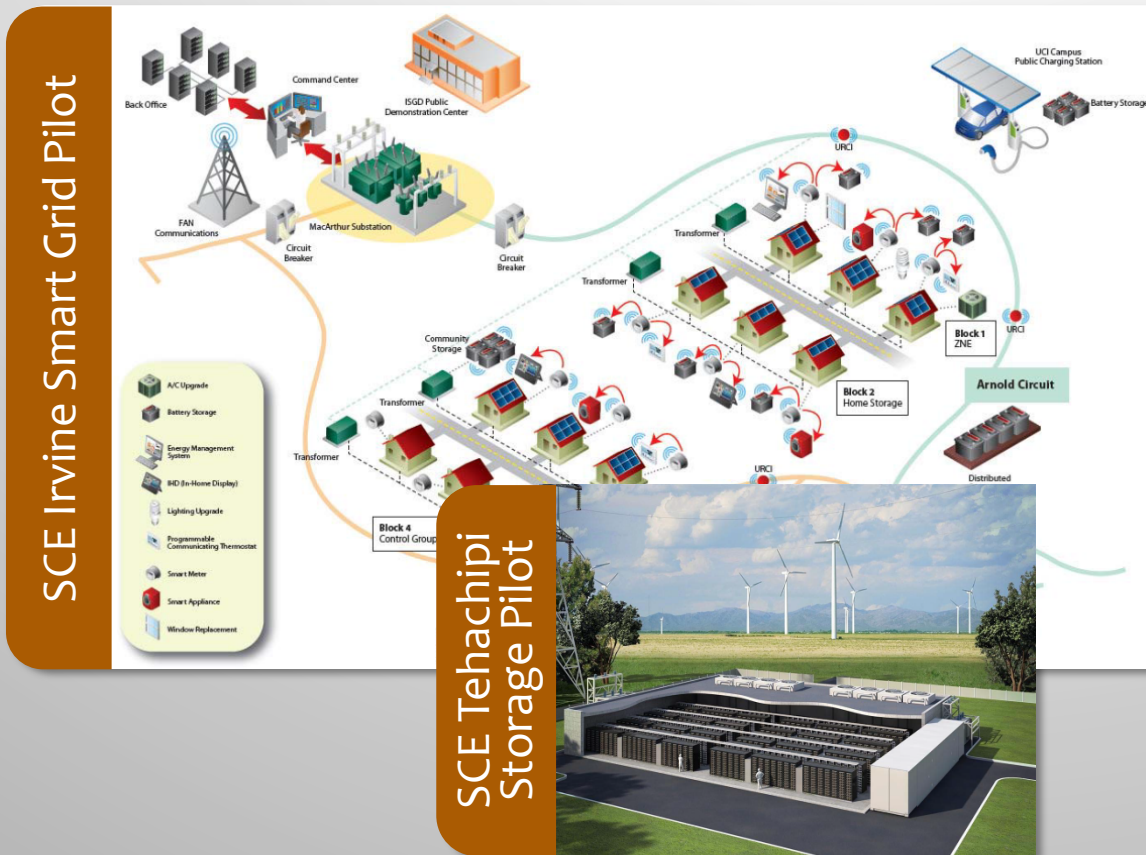
- Application to CPUC was filed July 18

- Approval anticipated spring 2012

- Related work for PG&E and CEC has started



# HPC is ideally suited for scale-up of grid models and pilot projects



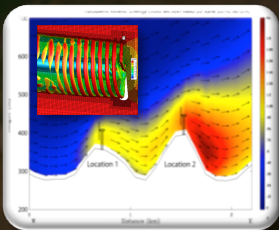
16 homes to 16 million homes in California to 160 million homes nationwide  
One 32 MW-h storage project to >10,000 nodes; differing wind energy domains

# Site 300 provides a world-class clean-power R&D field lab and test facility

## Site 300

### Research agenda in development

- High-res observations + generation/connectivity
- Renewable integration and leveling
- Storage testing
- Clean-tech prediction, validation, comparison
- Defense energy platform testing

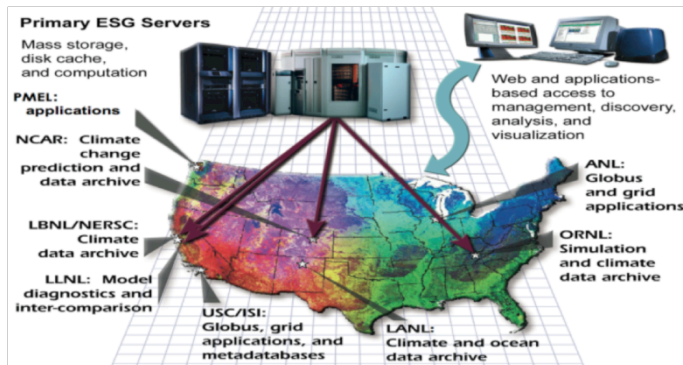




# Data-centric and high-throughput computing can reduce cost, risk, and waste

## LLNL capabilities and existing programs

### Earth Systems Grid



Network mapping & streaming

Large synoptic telescope RTP

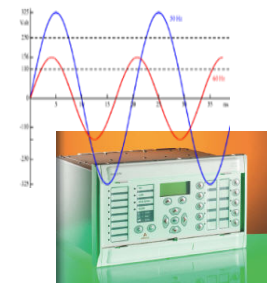
## Applications to smart grid management



Smart Meter



PMU



Estimated cost of San Diego power outage: \$97-118M

Estimate wasted energy from lack of information and processing: 3 trillion kW-hr

Estimated data volume from CA smart meters in 2015: 100 Tbytes/month



# Livermore Valley Open Campus and HPC-IC will anchor transformational new partnerships (LLNL and SNL)



# DOE leadership led to National Summit and near term actions

## DOE Workshop on HPC and Energy

- Led by Steve Koonin (October 2010)
- Engaged 13 lab directors, key CEOs (e.g., IBM)
- Tasked LLNL to spearhead effort

## National Summit: Washington, May 2011

- Organized by Howard Baker Forum, Bipartisan Policy Commission, and LLNL
- Keynotes: Holdren, Gen. Jones, Koonin, Dorgan, Hoeven: IBM, Siemens; LLNL, ORNL, ANL, RPI
- Five topics: Smart-grid; CCUS; Combustion; Efficient Buildings; Nuclear

## Immediate actions recommended

- Call for proposals for HPC time to business
- Co-sponsor meetings
- Integrated web portal



Report on

### A NATIONAL SUMMIT ON ADVANCING CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

Entrepreneurship and Innovation through High  
Performance Computing



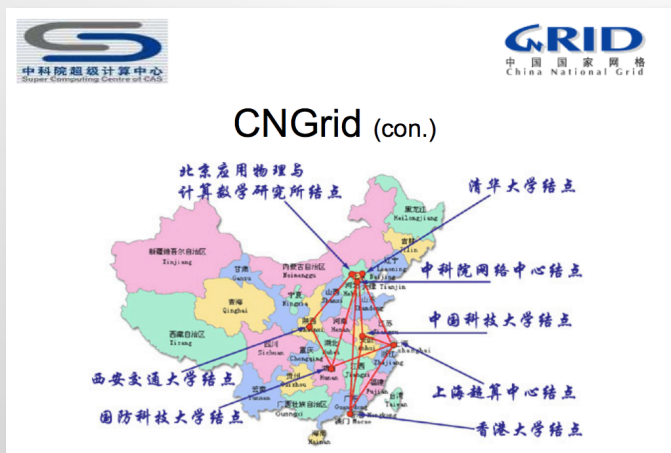
John Holdren



Steve Koonin

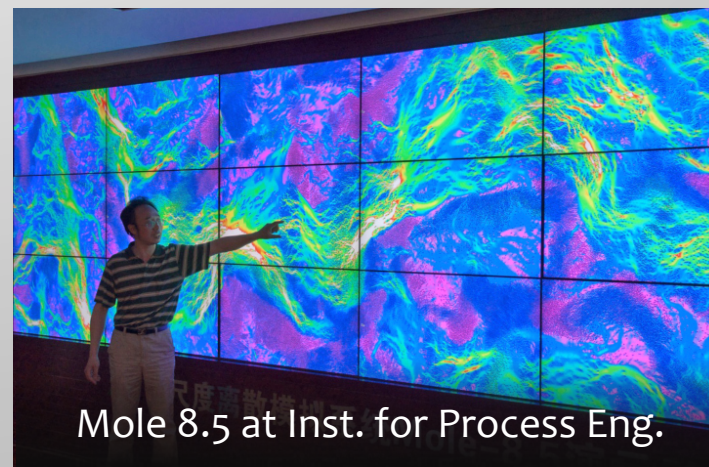


## Other countries are linking HPC to national competitiveness



### Top 500 Systems in China

- #2 (Tianhe-1A), Tianjin
- #4 (Dawning Nebulae), Shenzhen
- #33 (Mole 8.5), CAS-IPE, Beijing
- #40 (Magic Cube), Shanghai



US competitiveness and clean energy economy hang in the balance